

DCPS Afterschool Program FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

1. When and how can you enroll in DCPS Afterschool Programs?

You can enroll in DCPS Afterschool Programs beginning Monday, August 15 and ending Friday, August 19, 2011 at your respective school. (For a listing of DCPS Afterschool Program locations, please visit this website http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Afterschool+Programs.)

2. Why is the enrollment procedure for afterschool programs changing?

The DCPS Afterschool Programs are funded in part by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE). To remain in compliance with this funding source, our office is required to enroll students during the week of August 15th and assess fees using OSSE's sliding fee scale. For additional details on how to enroll and to see the sliding fee scale, visit this website http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Afterschool+Programs. This information will be available at your school during the enrollment week, Monday, August 15 through Friday, August 19, 2011.

3. How can I find out how much I will have to pay for afterschool programs?

Click this link http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Afterschool+Programs and view the sliding fee scale distributed through the OSSE and within 281% of the federal poverty guidelines.

4. In which schools are the DCPS Afterschool Programs located?

Click this link http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Afterschool+Programs and view the DCPS Afterschool Program locations.

5. Where can I find contact information for my school's afterschool coordinator?

Click this link http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/Beyond+the+Classroom/Afterschool+Programs and view the DCPS Afterschool Program coordinator names with contact information.

6. Is there anything new being offered in DCPS Afterschool Programs next year?

A new academic power hour aligned to DCPS' new academic plan will provide additional rigor, consistency in quality, and alignment for students in SY 2011—2012.

7. I received information about the Supplemental Education Service (SES) Programs. Can my child participate in both the SES and DCPS Afterschool Programs?

Yes. The SES program will begin October 15th and will be located in: Amidon, Bancroft, Ferebee-Hope, Garfield, H. D. Cooke, Hendley, Kenilworth, Kimball, Terrell, Marie Reed, Miner, Moten, Plummer, Powell, Savoy, Stanton, Tubman Beers, Davis, Garrison, Malcolm X, Nalle, River Terrace, Simon, Smothers, Thomas.

The SES program will provide services no more than 4 hours/week. For the remaining hours during the week, your child can also participate in the DCPS Afterschool Programs if they are fully enrolled (*Review FAQ #2 on how to enroll*)

8. My child is interested in playing a sport. Can they participate in that sport and DCPS Afterschool Program?

Yes. Most sports last for a season and your child can and should participate in afterschool programs all year long. They can enroll in both the sports team and the DCPS Afterschool Program. (Review FAQ #2 on how to enroll)

For clarity on any of these answers, please speak with your school's afterschool coordinator for more information. If there are additional questions that your afterschool coordinator cannot answer, please contact the Critical Response Team at 202.478.5738.